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SUBJECT: SEYCHELLES WEEKLY REVIEW - JULY 22

1. AMBASSADOR LE MELLE VISITED SEYCHELLES JULY 18-21. HE PRESENTED CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT RENE JULY 19 AND HAD MEETINGS WITH RENE, FOUR MINISTERS AND OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. HE ALSO CALLED ON ALL HEADS OF RESIDENT DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS.

2. GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER OF JULY 18 GAVE BANNER ATTENTION TO PROCLAMATION CALLING FOR ESTABLISHMENT "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" OF COUNCIL TO DRAFT NEW CONSTITUTION. PROCLAMATION, WHICH IS BILLED AS MOST IMPORTANT DOCUMENT IN SEYCHELLES HISTORY SINCE SEPARATION FROM MAURITIUS IN 1904, PROVIDES FOR EXTENSIVE CONSULTATION WITH SEYCHELLOIS PEOPLE THROUGHOUT PROCESS. CHAIRMAN OF CONSTITUTIONAL COUNCIL "WILL BE AN EXPERT ON INTERNATIONAL LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS." COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT REPORTEDLY WILL BE ASKED TO HELP IDENTIFY CHAIRMAN "TO DEMONSTRATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE IMPECCIBLE IMPARTIALITY OF COUNCIL." OTHER MEMBERS WILL BE SEYCHELLOIS. PENDING ADOPTION OF NEW CONSTITUTION, SEYCHELLES WILL CONTINUE TO BE GOVERNED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE.

3. LONG ISLAND (NEW YORK) YOUTH ORCHESTRA VISITED SEYCHELLES JULY 13-17 ENROUTE FROM KENYA TO SRI LANKA ON PRIVATELY SPONSORED TOUR. ORCHESTRA, WHICH IS COMPOSED OF 80 MUSICIANS IN

MID-LATE TEENS, GAVE THREE PERFORMANCES AT VICTORIA STADIUM  
ALL OF WHICH ATTRACTED CAPACITY CROWDS. PRESIDENT  
RENE WAS PATRON OF GALA CONCERT WHICH WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY FIVE  
MINISTERS AND NEARLY ALL OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.  
VISIT (FIRST EVER BY FULL ORCHESTRA) WAS EXTREMELY WELL RECEIVED  
AND ACCORDED EXTENSIVE AND FAVORABLE PUBLICITY. VISIT WAS  
VERY BENEFICIAL TO EMBASSY, WHICH PROVIDED FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE,  
AND U.S. IMAGE IN SEYCHELLES.

4. THIS MESSAGE WILL BE LAST OF FIVE WEEKLY REVIEWS OF MISCEL-  
LANEOUS DEVELOPMENTS INSTITUTED ON TEMPORARY BASIS IN AFTERMATH  
OF JUNE 5 COUP D'ETAT.  
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